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Second General Synod Approves Constitution For Submission To CC Churches, ER Synods

On Thursday, July 7, 1960, at 3:20 p. m. E. D. T. the delegates to the Adjourned Session of the Second General Synod of the United Church of Christ, meeting in the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, voted unanimously to approve the "Proposed Constitution" with a few minor amendments.

The historic moment came after the delegates had spent the greater part of two days in studying the document which represented the work of the Commission to Prepare a Constitution over a period of three years.

The unanimous vote to approve the constitution was followed by a period of silence during which the delegates realized a major step in a monumental task had been completed. The silence was broken by the singing of the doxology.

The approved constitution will now be submitted to the Congregational Christian Churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Church Synods for their approval.

The churches and synods will be requested to take action on the proposed constitution prior to June 1, 1961. If two-thirds of the synods approve and two-thirds of the Congregational Christian Churches voting in this period approve, the Third General Synod, which will meet at Philadelphia, Pa., in July of 1961, shall declare the constitution in force.

It is highly important that the Congregational Christian Churches register their vote on this important question prior to June 1, 1961.

A favorable vote on the constitution is one way a Congregational Christian Church becomes a part of the United Church. A Congregational Christian Church which does not approve the constitution or fails to vote on it may become a part of the United Church

by voting to do so.

On Friday, July 8th, the by-laws as amended were approved to be submitted to the Third General Synod in 1961. If the constitution is declared in force at that time, the General Synod will then vote on the by-laws. A two-thirds vote will be necessary for the adoption of the by-laws.

While no major opposition to the constitution as submitted to the General Synod developed, many parts of the document were discussed at great length. There was ample opportunity for all who wished to speak to do so.

More than 700 delegates and associate delegates, as well as a large number of visitors were present for the sessions.

A high point of the sessions was the Service of Communion held on Thursday night. The co-presidents of the United Church, Dr. James E. Wagner and Dr. Fred Hoskins, conducted the Communion. The Rev. Elam G. Wiest, President of the Northwest Ohio Synod, and Rev. Everett A. Babcock, Superintendent of the Ohio Conference, participated in the service.

Miss Frances Kapitzky, Moderator of the Eleventh General Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, and Dr. Ray E. Phillips, Moderator of the General Council of the Congregational Christian Churches, presided over the General Synod sessions.

The Reverend Gerhard W. Grauer, pastor of St. Paul's Church in Chicago, Ill., is the chairman of the Commission to Prepare a Constitution.

Rev. Guy L. Colbert, immediate past moderator of the Southeast Convention, Dr. Walter A. Graham, president of Southern Union College, and Superintendent James H. Lightbourne Jr., were the delegates of the Southeast Convention to the General Synod.

Rev. Clyde L. Fields Southern Convention Head

The Reverend Clyde L. Fields, pastor of the Asheboro Congregational Christian Church since November 1, 1956, has accepted the invitation of the Southern Convention and will become its superintendent September 1.

Mr. Fields, a member of our Reidsville church, entered the ministry after establishing a family and taking his turn in military service — the Navy was his choice. His college preference was Elon, from whence he received the A. B. degree in 1949. He earned his B. D. degree at Duke Divinity School while serving Pleasant Ridge, Spoon's Chapel and Union Grove churches. Then came a five-year pastorate at Union (Hunterdale) near Franklin, Virginia

He has served the Western North Carolina Conference as its president for two years. He is a member of the Executive Board of the Convention and chairman of the Commission on Recruitment.

A friendly disposition, college and seminary training, sincere interest in the work of the church, successful pastorates, and a devoted wife are some of the assets which assure for him a successful superintendency.

Home For Children Elects Rev. Walstein W. Snyder

The Rev. Walstein W. Snyder, pastor of Rosemont Church in Norfolk, Virginia, has been unanimously elected by the Board of Trustees to become the next superintendent of the Congregational Christian Home for Children, Elon College, North Carolina. He will assume office August 1, 1960.

Mr. Snyder was reared near Elkton, Virginia, and was a member of Bethel Church. He graduated from Elon College and Duke Divinity School.

SOUTHERN UNION COLLEGE NEWS

WORK CAMP

42 young people and their leaders are lending a helping hand to Southern Union College this summer.

They are members of two separate work camps who chose Southern Union as the site for this year's work camp. One group, called the National Work Camp, is sponsored by the United Church of Christ. They have undertaken a general campus beautification project designed to improve the general appearance of the campus buildings and grounds. This group is led by Rev. and Mrs. Edward M. Brown of Atlanta, Ga.

The second and largest group, consisting of 30 young people and five leaders, comes from the Edgewood Peoples Community Church, East Lansing, Michigan. They are led by the Rev. and Mrs. Robinson Lapp. Mr. Lapp is associate minister of the East Lansing Church.

The project undertaken by this group is the building of a cement driveway at the president's home.

From early morning until late afternoon these groups are busily engaged in work. Each group is organized on a cooperative basis with each person sharing in the work. Preparation of meals, housekeeping and work on the projects are shared alike by all members of the camp.

The projects are financed by the churches that are represented and each person pays his own transportation cost to and from the camp.

The dignity of work is quite evident at Southern Union this summer.

KIMBALL HALL

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Work has already been begun for the complete renovation of Kimball Hall, the boys' dormitory, and for the addition of a new section, the bottom part of a T, which will include 16 new dormitory rooms, two shower rooms, and two toilet rooms. As is true in Pilgrim Hall, the girls' dormitory, each room in the new section will contain a lavatory.

This project is part of the long-range improvement and enlargement plans and will meet a dire need on the campus. The new arrangement was suggested by Mr. Robert A. Russell, member of the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The construction is made possible by the pledges which were made last fall and are still being received, many of them being paid in cash and the balance due over a period of three years. Additional pledges are urgently needed and all monies received will be promptly and properly utilized.

PILGRIM HALL

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Believe it or not, this work is nearing completion and long before time for opening of the fall quarter, the lovely new 7 rooms and bath will be finished and ready for occupancy.

Four rooms have already been spoken for, and if you'd like to furnish one, please see the Business Manager's Corner on page 4 and write to the president immediately.

LIBRARY

The last issue of the SOUTHERN UNION NEWS proudly announced the action of the National Woman's Fellowship in appropriating \$50,000 from their 1960-1962 Woman's Gift for the Southern Union Library.

Subsequently, the Board of Home Missions officially voted to guarantee payment of the Woman's Fellowship pledge, which will, of course, be paid in full on or before May 31, 1962.

The college, because of the desperate need of the library now and the related need of classroom space which the one-room present library and stacks now occupy, has been unsuccessful in finding any bank or other financial institution to negotiate the loan. Any suggestions from anyone of new sources will be appreciated.

Southeast District Rally At Pearson

The Southeast District Rally was held at Union Hill Church, Pearson, Georgia, on May 22, 1960. The Rev. Robert W. Hendrix gave the welcome. Terry Coarsy had devotion,

The president, Boyd James, called the business meeting to order. He discussed the Southeast Conference held in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Boyd was elected vice-president of the Southeast Convention Pilgrim Fellowship for the following year. Then the roll call of churches, with Pearson winning and getting the banner.

The program was then turned over to the guest leader, the Rev. Miss Annie R. Campbell of Atlanta. She divided us into small groups for discussion, and

HERE AND THERE

MINISTERIAL DEATHS

Dr. Henry M. Edmonds, minister emeritus of Pilgrim Congregational Church, Birmingham, Ala., passed away on Thursday, July 7th.

Dr. Edmonds was widely known throughout the state and across the south, not only for his ministry at Pilgrim Church, but also through his daily newspaper column.

Word has been received in the Convention office of the death this spring of Rev. Dr. A. P. Wilson. Dr. Wilson served as minister of the Federated Church, Demorest, Ga., prior to his retirement in 1958. Mrs. Wilson is continuing to make her home in Demorest.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES

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The Rev. David Herbert Long has resigned as minister at the Russell Woods Church, Phenix City, Ala., in order to continue his theological education at the Bangor (Maine) Theological Seminary. Mr. and Mrs. Long and their children will leave for their new home in Maine the latter part of August.

Rev. Rudolph Starling has resigned as minister at the Hunt Memorial Church, Alexander City, Alabama, and accepted appointment to a Methodist charge in the southeast area of Georgia.

The Rev. Edward B. Knight has resigned as minister of the Williams Chapel Church, Waycross, Ga., to be effective in October.

The Rev. Richard J. Fraser has resigned as minister of St. John's United Church (E & R), Cullman, Ala., to accept the pastorate of St. John's Church, Niles, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Fraser and their children will move to their new home the latter part of August.

The Pilgrim Congregational Church, Birmingham, is receiving interesting recognition for its exciting new building. The Strand Steel Division of National Steel Corporation has released pictures of the church to its stock holders. The National Steel Corporation will feature the church in full-page advertisements to be carried in national magazines in September and October.

then everyone played games under her direction. Miss Campbell then showed an interesting film on Africa.

The meeting then adjourned, with Mrs. Otto Culpepper of Enigma giving the benediction.

Jeannie Hayes, Reporter

East Tallassee Reports Vacation Church School

Vacation Bible School had a very successful ten-day session at the East Tallassee Congregational Christian Church. A total of 86 children was the enrollment, with an average daily attendance of 59. The theme of this year's school was "The Teachings of Jesus."

The closing program was held on Sunday afternoon at 5:30 with a large audience of parents and friends in attendance. Certificates were given to the children and those with perfect records of attendance were awarded tiny white Bibles.

A contest was carried on during the school, with each class acting as an individual unit. Points were given for attendance, bringing Bibles, learning the memory verses, and new members. The junior class, those in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades of public school, were the winners of the contest and were given a wiener roast and outing. The members of this class were very enthusiastic in their studies and recruitment of new members.

Teachers and helpers were Miss Edwine Barker, Mrs. John Burton, Mrs. Bobby Sayers, Mrs. Robert Earl Webster, Mrs. Rex Patillo, Mrs. Thomas Stalnaker, Mrs. Perry Webster, Mrs. G. F. Logan, Mrs. Charles Miller, Miss Jerry Beckham, Mrs. Marrell Rhodes, Mrs. Dewitt Cullars, and Miss Becky Gooden

Parents and grandparents furnished refreshments for each day, and picnics and swimming parties were held for each class.



Caddo Church Holds Dedication Service

The Service of Dedication of the new church building of the First Congregational Christian Church, Caddo, Alabama, was held on Sunday, June 12th. The Rev. Ernest T. Shelton is the pastor of the church.

Rev. Guy L. Colbert, pastor-at-large of the N. Ala. Association, conducted the service in which the dedicatory sermon was brought by Supt. James H. Lightbourne, Jr. The Rev. David W. Clark, moderator of the Association, participated in the service.

The new church building is an attractive structure including a sanctuary and several Sunday school classrooms.

The picture above shows the pastor, Rev. Earnest Shelton, handing the keys to the church to Supt. Lightbourne. Also in the picture are part of the members of the Youth Choir which presented music for the service.



Young People Attend Sessions At Elmhurst

Pictured at the left are the young people from the Southeast Convention area who attended the National PF-YF at Elmhurst College this summer.

From left to right are Miss Runa Linblom (from Finland and will visit summer conferences in the U. S.), Miss Patsy Yancey, Langdale (who is leading one of the National Caravan Teams this summer), Mr. Wray Allen, Huguley Church, Lanett, Miss Lindianne Roberson, United Church, LaGrange, president of the SEC-PF, Miss Carolyn Griswold, Daisy, Tenn., and Miss Melissa Kelley, LaGrange, Ga.

Mt. Olive Church Has Variety Of Activities

The Women's Fellowship of Mt. Olive Congregational Christian Church met in regular session Tuesday evening, June 14, at the home of Miss Beatrice Murphy. Mrs. Luvenia Lackey, vice-president, opened the meeting with prayer, and the program was given by Mrs. Gladys Buce. The subject was "Religious Faith in America." A duet, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee," was rendered by Mr. Buce and Mrs. Horace Taunton.

Items of business discussed included pointing inside the church, revised clean-up committee for homecoming and revival, and election of new officers.

Officers elected to serve for the coming year were: Mrs. Mellie Jones, president; Mrs. Katie Powell, vice-president; Mrs. Ruby Culpepper, treasurer; Mrs. Sybil Walters, secretary and reporter; Miss Beatrice Murphy, Friendly Service chairman.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Mt. Olive Church, at which time the installation of officers will be held, and Mrs. Luvenia Lackey will act as hostess.

After partaking of delicious refreshments, the meeting was adjourned with reading from the Scriptures and prayer by Mrs. Gladys Buce.

Homecoming Held

Homecoming for Mount Olive Congregational Christian Church, Tallassee, Alabama, was held on Sunday, June 26, with old-fashioned gospel singing beginning at 10:00 a.m. Lunch was served around noon. After lunch, singing was resumed for the afternoon, Many well-known singers appeared on the program.

Revival services began at 7:00 Sunday evening, June 26, and were held twice daily, Monday through Friday, until July 1. The Rev. M. O. Worley of Brantley, Alabama, was guest evangelist. The Rev. Mr. Worley served Mt. Olive Church for several years, coming to Tallassee from the Brantley Parish.

A cordial invitation to attend the revival services was extended to the public by the pastor of Mt. Olive Church, the Rev. James W. Walters.

The Rev. Carroll W. Lewis is now the minister of the First Methodist Church, Mount Auburn, Illinois.

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CHURCHES CHANGED: Caddo, Friendship, Trinity, Ala. to Caddo, Cong. Chr.; East Tallassee,
Liberty to East Tallassee, Cong. Chr.
CHURCHES: 117. Served by pastors: 97 (installed 8; other Cong. Chr. 58; licentiates 21; unclassified 10); Part time supplies 2. Inactive churches 4. Vacant churches 14. No. pastors serving 75.
MINISTERS IN FULL STANDING: 104 (pastors 49; others 55).
NO. CHURCHES REPORTING: Av. Ch. Attendance 45; Ch. Schools 96; Y.P. Org. 39; Home
Expenses 117; New Buildings and Improvements 30 (amount \$460,948); Church Property 117;
Debts 11 (amount \$572,661); Parsonage 35.

NO. OF CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING TO APPORTIONMENT AND OTHER BENEVO-LENCES: 86 (amount \$37,508); On apportionment 81 (State Conf. 74; National Boards 80); Other Gifts 71.

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SALARIES: No. churches and yoked fields reporting 65 (amount \$165,781); Part time supplies 32 (amount \$24,830); Pastoral Units 33. Average Salary for regular service: \$4,271.

YOKED CHURCHES: No. 6-66; 7-37-58; 10-11; 12-25-35; 14-64; 16-31-32; 19-38; 20-47; 23-24; 27-42; 44-48; 50-61-62; 67-69; 74-77; 75-100; 83-84; 88-97; 110-117; 111-112-116.

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Superintendent's Corner

It was my happy privilege to be one of the three delegates of the Southeast Convention to the Adjourned Session of the Second General Synod of the United Church.

As the story on the front page of THE SOUTHEAST NEWS states, the General Synod approved the proposed constitution for the United Church and it will now be sent to the Evangelical and Reformed Synods and the Congregational Christian Churches for their approval.

While my personal position on the union of the Evangelical and Reformed Church and our Congregational Christian Churches is well known to most of you, once again I would like to state that I am whole-heartedly and enthusiastically for the United Church.

Along with President Walter A. Graham and Rev. Guy L. Colbert, your other delegates to the General Synod, I voted for approval of the constitution. I think that it is a sound and good

document.

All of the rights and privileges of the local church are carefully protected. No one has any cause for concern at this point. Local churches can continue to own and control their own property, to handle their own finances, to call the ministers of their choosing, to worship as they see fit.

Yet the constitution is strong and wise in indicating the patterns of fellowship for concerted action we should develop in the United Church in order for it to bear its witness and fulfill its mission.

I hope that your church will vote ap-

CHEF Campaign Moves Steadily Toward Goal

Thirty-two churches of the Southeast Convention have made pledges or contributions totaling \$21.130 toward the Convention goal of \$25,000 for the Christian Higher Education Fund Campaign of our Congregational Christian

If the remaining churches will accept their goal or make substantial contributions we will soon be over the top. How about your church? Has it taken action yet? 4 7 7 . 47

Antioch, Andalusia, Ala.	250.
Coldwater, Andalusia, Ala.	50.
First, Andalusia, Ala.	200.
New Home, Andalusia, Ala.	50.
Pilgrim, Birmingham, Ala.	1,000.
East Tallassee, Ala.	400.
Garden City, Ala.	20.
Pleasant Grove, LaFayette, Ala.	300.
Cong'l. Chr., Lanett, Ala.	2,000.
Huguley, Lanett, Ala.	200.
Cong'l. Chr., Langdale, Ala.	1,000.
New Harmony, Lineville, Ala.	50.
Jones Chapel, Moulton, Ala.	25.
Lowell, Roanoke, Ala.	300.
Todd, Shawmut, Ala.	60.
Mt. Lebanon, Steele, Ala.	50.
Caddo, Trinity, Ala.	75,
Cong'l. Chr., Wadley, Ala.	500.
Pyron's Chapel, Baker, Ala.	100.
Center, Atlanta, Ga.	50.
Central, Atlanta, Ga.	3,600.
Fredonia, Barnesville, Ga.	250.
United, LaGrange, Ga.	1,200.
First, Evarts, Ky.	450.
Pilgrim, Chattanooga, Tenn.	3,000.
First, Crossville, Tenn.	450.
First, Daisy, Tenn.	450.
Deer Lodge, Tenn.	150.
Glen Mary, Tenn.	150.
First, Knoxville, Tenn.	3,000.
Brookmeade United, Nashville	750.
Pleasant Hill, Tenn.	900.
Barton's Chapel, Robbins, Tenn	. 100.
Total	\$21,130

HERE AND THERE

Dr. Thomas Anderson, Central Congregational Church, Atlanta, Ga., is the chaplain on a cruise ship visiting the North European coast this summer.

Southern Christian Social Action Institute

Miss Melissa Kelley, LaGrange, Ga.; Miss Dora Byron, Atlanta; Mrs. Jake

proval of the constitution and to be in the United Church.

Clothing Aid Increased, More Clothing Needed

Contributions of clothing and bedding for world relief through Church World Service in the first months of 1960 increased almost 100 per cent over gifts during the same period last year.

During January and February, 1960, 824,993 pounds of used clothing and blankets were given by American Protestants through their churches in response to the annual United Clothing Appeal, in contrast to 427,394 pounds given in these months in 1959.

The 1960 poundage has been swollen by unusually large contributions of blankets in Indiana and Illinois. Alerted to the need for bedding, among refugees facing winter weather, midwest Protestants gave over 100,000 blankets.

Congregational Christian Churches in the East are urged to send clothing to the Service Committee, 110 East 29th Street, New York 16, N. Y. Churches in the West ship to one of the following Church World Service Centers: Nappanee, Indiana; 919 Emerald Avenue, Modesto, California; or 4165 Duncan Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

C. Harris, Atlanta; Mrs. Fred Muhleman, Chattanooga; Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Slater, Chattanooga; and Mr. Allan G. Sanders, Birmingham; from the Southeast Convention, attended the Southern Christian Social Action Institute held at the Blue Ridge Assembly, Black Mountain, N. C., in July. Supt. James H. Lightbourne Jr. was the dean of the institute.

All of the Congregational Christian Churches in the Valley in Alabama met on Sunday night, July 10, for a fellowship sing.

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The East Alabama Minister's picnic was held on Saturday, July 30th. The ministers and their families were to gather together for fun and fellowship.

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Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Hapgood and Mr. R. A. Kampmeier of Chattanooga were recent visitors to England. While there they had tea with the Rev. Mr. Slater's sister, Mrs. John Wood, of Tennington, England.

Rev. Arnold Slater, Chattanooga, was the guest minister for the Homecoming Service at the Albemarle, N. C., Congregational Christian Church on Sunday, July 24.

People ...

Todd Church Reports Projects Completed

Todd Church has made much progress during the first half of this year. We have purchased a parsonage and our pastor and his wife are happily located in the parsonage. We have been able to keep all bills paid up to date including our pledge to Our Christian World Mission. There is a wonderful spirit of fellowship in the church.

Our parking lot became too small, and the Churchmen's Fellowship undertook as a project the providing of a larger lot. They took a vacant lot the church owned and had it graded and top-soiled, and this provided a much larger parking lot. They also built a cement block wall at the lower side of the parking lot.

Our Pilgrim Fellowship is very active under the leadership of Mrs. Eva Cantrell. They have regular programs and attend all the District meetings.

We have a choir that was organized the first of the year, and which is really good. Mr. Tommy Gray is choir director and Miss Jennie Frost is our pianist.

The Ladies' Missionary Society held its annual meeting and elected the following officers: Mrs. Rosie Chappell, president; Mrs. Annie Lee Yates, vicepresident; Mrs. J. W. Burson, treasurer; Mrs. Rubbie Smith, secretary; Mrs. A. C. Nelson, education chairman; Mrs. Hoyt Rush, flower chairman.

The ladies presented to the church a beautiful brass altar set, of which we are justly proud.

The Arnold Wallace family presented the church with some beautiful brass flower vases. The women of the church purchased cloths for the Communion table and pulpit, and curtains for the pastor's study.

On July 10th our church invited the following churches to meet with us at the evening hour for a sing and fellowship hour: Lanett, Huguley Church, Langdale, West Point, Bethel, and the Shawmut Disciple Christian. They all accepted the invitation and we had an enjoyable evening together. Each group sang two specials, and then we had congregational singing led by Mr. Willie McGill. Every seat in the church was filled.

We hope to make this a wonderful year for Todd Church.

Churches ...

S. Ala. - N. W. Fla. Rally Held At East Tallassee

The Senior Pilgrim Fellowship of the East Tallassee Congregational Christian Church was host to the South Alabama-Northwest Florida District semiannual meeting on Saturday, June 18th, through Sunday, June 19th.

Although only one church was represented—First Congregational Church of Andalusia — the meeting was carried on in its fullest because East Tallassee Church has one of the biggest organizations in its history.

Miss Lou Ann Cantrell gave the welcome address and the Andalusia group gave the opening devotions.

The luncheon menu on Saturday consisted of baked ham, salads, rolls, pickles, olives, hamemade cake, tea, and Koolaid.

Rev. Neil Segrest of the First Presbyterian Church entertained the young people on Saturday afternoon with some humor and wit of his own, and then closed his time with a serious talk of encouragement and challenge.

After a business session the meeting adjourned to make a trip to Kowaliga beach for an outing, swim, and cookout. The East Tallassee P. F. conducted a worship service at the beach. Charcoaled hamburgers, potato chips, Cokes and homemade ice cream were served to approximately 36 persons.

Those attending from Andalusia were Misses Betty Peavy, Hilda Blackmon, Sandra Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dunn, and Mr. Wayne Graves.

Officers elected on Sunday included Waynes Graves as president; Sandra Wallace as secretary-treasurer; and Becky Gooden, Fellowship Commission chairman.

Rev. Warner Noles, outgoing advisor for this district, and presently pastor of First Congregational Church, Phenix City, was present. Newly elected advisors are Mrs. Marrell Rhodes and Mrs. Judson Kelly of Andalusia.

Young people from the East Tallassee Church who attended this meeting were Rodney Baker, Jim Mitchell, Lou Ann Cantrell, Kenneth Brown, Jerry Beckham, Larry Cochran, Michael Cochran, Jeanette Story, Sue Cochran, Ann Stalnaker, Cheryl Stalnaker, Becky Gooden, Buddy Coker, Janis Cantrell, Benny Frank Pemberton, Janice

Events...

Huguley Church Plans Renovation Of Church

The Huguley Congregational Christian Church, Lanett, Alabama, is making plans to complete the educational building, and also, to renovate the sanctuary. Rev. Robert Shelton is doing a fine job as pastor of the church.

Wray Allen, who is chairman of the Faith Commission of the Southeast Convention Pilgrim Fellowship, was a delegate to the National Youth Council held at Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, Illinois, in June. The Huguley Fellowship is proud to have had one of its members chosen as a delegate to the National Council.

Recent visitors to Huguley Church were the Rev. Dr. Guy L. Colbert, immediate past moderator of the Southeast Convention; and the Rev. Ernest Shelton, brother of the pastor of Huguley.

The Sunday School enjoyed an outing at Sharp's Lake on Saturday afternoon, June 25th.

The Women's Fellowship of Huguley Church installed its new officers at the June meeting. The meeting was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Allen. Mrs. John D. Schofield presided. The new slate of officers of the WF are Mrs. Ethel Raye, president; Mrs. Louise Brown, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Brown, secretary-treasurer.

The Women's Fellowship recently completed a project of redecorating the Primary and Beginners Sunday School rooms. The Adult Women's Sunday School class is currently working on the Nursery as a class project.

Recently the young people of Huguley Church were entertained at the Fellowship Hall by the adults. The men grilled hamburgers, which were served with all the trimmings, to approximately 40 young people.

Pemberton, Patsy Hornsby, Marvin Jackson, Curtis Hammock, John Cullars, Edwina Barker, Margaret Cochran.

Children attending were Alice Rhodes, Mickey and Gail Sayers, and Elise Edlund, of Tampa, Florida.

Chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Marrell Rhodes, Miss Mary Ann Pemberton, Mr. Bobby Jack Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sayers.

UNITED CLOTHING APPEAL The Churches



The Clothing They Need Is in Your Closet